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Black et al.

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For: SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPY TIPS COMPOSED OF NANOPARTICLES AND
METHODS TO FORM SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2007, setting a three-month statutory period for response, and is further being submitted for consideration based on the telephonic/email correspondences between the Examiner and the Applicants' legal representative, Mohammad S. Rahman, on May 11-23, 2007 in which the amended claimed language was discussed and agreed. Furthermore, this amendment is a duplicate of the Examiner's Amendment, which the Examiner has indicated that he has prepared, processed, and entered along with a Notice of Allowance in this case. However, the Applicants are submitting this duplicative amendment because the response due date of the Office Action is June 9, 2007 (June 11, 2007 is the due date because June 9th falls on a Saturday) and because PAIR does not show that the Examiner's amendment had been entered or that a Notice of Allowance has been

issued. Therefore, this amendment is timely filed. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: